

# The Knight Times



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October 2024

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#### Grand Knight's Message

Reverend Fathers, Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Family and Friends,

Welcome to autumn! As the leaves begin to fall and we stroll into winter, never forget, there is a light at the end of the tunnel as we all look forward to the coming of our Lord.

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have completed our third Cheap Dinner Night and possibly our annual Italian Night. Both events are part of our mission of fraternity as we all come together as friends, brothers and sisters. I'll thank those people involved now and report back next month. So here goes: thanks in advance to Genine and Ken Armellino for a great Italian Night; and thanks also to Tony, Frank, Bob and Steve for their help with our Fish Fry. Our Cheap Dinners seem to be a hit, and our next one will be Friday, October 18, 2024 as an Oktoberfest, featuring pretzels, brats and German beer. So, bring your friends and join us for the fun!

Halloween will soon be upon us. Please consider helping out with our annual Trunk or Treat. It will be held outside the Council on Friday, October 25 from 6 – 8 pm where we will be providing children in the community with a safe area to trick or treat. Last year's Trunk or Treat was a great success, and I know this year will be successful as well. If you are interested in offering your Halloween decorated vehicle for Trunk or Treat, please contact Justin Miller at 201-421-8916.

Till we meet again, *May the magic of autumn's color bring you many blessings*. Please keep our family and friends in your prayers, especially Jim Callahan, John McGill, PGK, PFN and Larry Rivera, PGK. God Bless and stay well. *Vivat Jesus*!

Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight, FDD

#### Chaplain's Message: How Much Do You Know About St. Vincent?

Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to thank all of you for asking me to be your chaplain. While I have a full load as Pastor at St. John the Evangelist, I am happy to be able to help you and accompany you in the capacity I am able to. Chuck asked me to write a column for the newsletter, and I apologize for being remiss in doing this; but as I write today we celebrate the feast day of St. Vincent de Paul and I thought it would be appropriate to share some details of his life with you.

Vincent was born into a poor peasant family in France in the year 1581, he died on this day, Sept 27th at the age of seventy-nine in 1660. There was a stream near his home named the "Paul", it is believed this was the origin of his surname De Paul. He was ordained at the age of nineteen, which was against the regulations of the Council of Trent, which required a minimum age of 24 years of age for ordination; so, when he was appointed Pastor of a parish there was an outcry and lawsuits brought against him. Rather than defending himself he decided to resign his position.

He then began to work with the poor and disenfranchised, and attracted several wealthy benefactors from the elite of Paris. Vincent ministered to imprisoned galley slaves and ransomed 1,200 slaves from North Africa. It was the age of the Barbery Pirates, whom the US Marine Corps would later fight and defeat. Taken captive by the Barbary Pirates while sailing from Marseille, Vincent was sold as a slave and spent two years in bondage. His first master was a fisherman, but Vincent was useless to him because of seasickness, so he was sold off again. His new master died, and Vincent was then sold again in Istanbul, this time to a former Catholic priest, who had converted to Islam to gain his own freedom from slavery. The priest was living with three wives. The second wife, a Muslim by birth, was drawn to Vincent and questioned him about his faith. She was converted and admonished her husband for renouncing Christianity. Her husband, the priest, repented and decided to escape back to France. They had to wait ten months, but finally secretly boarded a small boat and crossed the Mediterranean.

Vincent was able to resume his ministry to the poor and disenfranchised and was instrumental in the foundation of the Daughters of Charity, whose chapel was the sickbay of the hospital and whose cloister was the streets of the slums. Instead of becoming embittered or angry by the events of his life - born into poverty, not accepted as a Pastor, sold into slavery - Vincent allowed the grace of God to act in him. All things contribute to the good of those who are loved by God. None of us are likely to be sold into slavery, but each of us have our own trials and tribulations, which can either embitter and harden us, or form us into disciples of Christ.

St. Vincent, by nature a short-tempered, irascible man, became a humble instrument of God's grace thru the very hardships he endured; may he intercede for each one of us in the mission we have been given.

Fr. Sean

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#### Healing and Wake Report

As of September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition. The Healing List for members, family and friends of members will be updated every 3 months and names will be removed from the list after 3 months. If you want a name to be placed on, removed or placed back on the list, please contact Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634 or jmc712@aol.com.

Members

-Don Wuertz -Dan Taylor -Fred Schuldt -Lou Sciarrino -Andrew Santulli -Jim Callahan

-Brian O'Dowd -Larry Rivera, PGK -Michael Siano -Jeff Martin -John McGill, PGK

#### **Relatives & Friends**

-Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr. -Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church -Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray -Nancy Hecker, wife of Paul Hecker -Janice Forlini, Columbiette -Mary McGowan, wife of Gerald McGowan -Joyce Tyson, mother of Michelle Sciarrino -Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK -Ann Meyer, wife Herb Meyer, FSD -Barbara McEllen, Columbiette -Nina DiCostanzo, Columbiette -John Roache, father of Fr. Dermot Roache -Dyane Guardino, daughter of Columbiette, Annette Rogie -Cathy Hollis, wife of Chuck Hollis, GK -Roger Carney, brother of Maureen Italiano -Maria Meeks, wife of Jeff Meeks -Maryann Coughlin, friend of Jim Calahan -Freddie Ozuna, friend of Jim Calahan -Alberta Vadala, friend of Jim Calahan -Fred Reich, friend of Jim Calahan -Clarence Thomas. friend of Jim Calahan -Frank Callahan, cousin of Jim Callahan -Karen Jarvis, friend of Jim Calahan -John Vasile, friend of Jim Calahan -Craig Major, friend of Jim Calahan -Joe Manson, father of Fr. Sean Manson, Chaplain

#### Wake

#### Organ Donor Program

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an Organ Donor. The life you save is precious, and could be family, a relative, or a friend. Sign up at: www.registerme.org/knights or with Greg *Ryan*, 201-919-2535

#### Deputy Grand Knight's Report

October is always a beautiful month as the leaves turn color, the weather gets cool, football is back and baseball gets exciting (maybe this year for both Yankee and Met fans!). On October 4<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, famous for his life of poverty and love of nature and animals. His spiritual life was not a smooth ride, it started when he left his father's house, rejecting the idea of following his father as a wealthy merchant, and went on his way to encounter the Lord and found the Franciscan order that is still active in the Church today. My favorite saying of St. Francis, I will paraphrase, is: *Preach the gospel always, use words only when necessary.* 

Last month I spoke about the importance of supporting brothers who are afflicted with illness. That need is greater than ever. We have brothers who are seriously ill, hospitalized, and at a minimum would benefit from your phone call or visit. If you don't know whom I am talking about, check our sick list in this issue or contact me.

Lastly, there are two opportunities this month for you to do something healthy for your soul. First, St. John the Evangelist is having our Men's Cornerstone on Friday night and Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. For an excellent one-day men's retreat, the Friars of the Renewal in Newark conduct their annual Men's Day on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. I, John McGill, and Bill Flores have attended this in the past and always came away refreshed. See details below.

#### Bob Knott, Deputy Grand Knight

#### Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

Brothers, the TBCC has an incredibly busy rental schedule for October, November, and December - our hall has been rented for every weekend from September to mid December! I'll be calling and counting on a lot of people to help us staff these events. Please answer my call. Even better, please call me at 201-669-8236 to volunteer for one weekend. I would like to let everyone know that these rentals pay the bills to keep the Council Hall open: insurance, maintenance, repairs and cleaning to note just a few. I note proudly the new air conditioning system we had installed in 2023.

In conclusion, even with the tremendous financial burden we incur to pay our bills, the TBCC was still able to make a \$2000 donation to the Council this past year which adds to the charitable donations GK Chuck Hollis and the Council officers can make to our churches and community, which assist us in fulfilling the first principle of our Order - charity.

#### Vivat Jesus! Steven Martin, Proud TBCC President



#### Memorial Mass for Deceased Members

On **Monday, November 18th**, we will remember our deceased Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes during the annual Mass of Remembrance at 8 pm at the Council and recognize those who have passed away over the past year. Family members or close friends of recently departed Knights and Columbiettes are invited to participate in the rose ceremony during the liturgy. The evening is open to everyone and refreshments will be served after Mass. This is a perfect opportunity to foster fraternity and invite a friend to come.

#### **Columbiette Report**

"Raven hair and ruby lips Sparks fly from her fingertips Echoed voices in the night She's a restless spirit on an endless flight... Witchy woman, See how high she files." (The Eagles, 1972)

Our **Boo Bingo** is selling out fast! Did you get your reservations in? If not, and you would like to attend, please contact Jill at Jill.Moriarty@yahoo.com or 201-280-6667 or Nina at NinaD70@aol.com or 201-338-2617. This is a Halloweenthemed Bingo on **Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm – 5 pm at** the Council. Cost is \$20.00 per person which includes one Bingo Board (3 games per board for 11 games) dessert, coffee, tea. Ghoulish beverages for purchase, additional bingo sheets available for purchase at \$5.00 per sheet.

Save the Date: Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our popular "Spudtacular" at the Council at 6 pm. Details to follow.

Don't forget about our "Fund-Raising 50/50 Raffle" to be drawn on New Year's Eve. Tickets have been sent to all Columbiettes. If you have not yet received your tickets, please contact President Genine Armellino at 917-992-2011 or email at genine810@yahoo.com.

Wishing everyone a Boo-tiful Halloween!

Peace, Roberta Elwell, Past President



#### Dates to Remember

(Events are at the Council unless noted otherwise)		
Fri, Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's	
	Church – 6:05 pm; Holy Hour/Eucharistic	
	Adoration at St. John's - <b>7 pm</b>	
Sat, Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Italian Night - <b>7 pm – 11 pm</b>	
Mon, Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Day	
Mon, Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Officers Meeting – 7:30 pm	
Wed, Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>	Columbiettes Meeting – 7:30 pm	
Mon, Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Council Meeting – <b>8 pm</b>	

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:45 pm

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

DGK Bob Knott asks that you contact him at 201-675-2802 or email him at <u>knottrj@optimum.net</u> if interested in St. John's overnight Eucharistic Adoration.

#### Next Council Meeting - Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

Our next Council meeting will be held on **Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** at 8 pm. Prior minutes can be reviewed by going to KofC1345.org and selecting "Minutes" from the left-hand side. When prompted, enter "1345" for the user and "armour" (case sensitive) for the password.

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Cheap Dinner Oktoberfest:** Join us for a Cheap Dinner Oktoberfest on **Friday, October 18**<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. We'll be serving pretzels, brats with sauerkraut and onions, German potato salad, desert and tea/coffee. Cost is only \$20 (\$10 for children under 12) and includes tap beer wine and soda (featuring Warsteiner Beer). Invite your friends and family.

Call or text Mike Rowley at 201-280-8727 or email KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com Reservations by October 16th are required!

**Halloween Boo Bingo:** We will be having a Halloween-themed Bingo on **Sunday, October 20th** from 2 pm -5 pm at the Council. Cost is \$20.00 per person which includes one Bingo board (3 games per board for 11 games) dessert, coffee, tea. Ghoulish beverages are available for purchase, additional bingo sheets available for purchase at \$5.00 per sheet.

**Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament:** Join us for the Twin Boro Columbian Club's Premier Fall Fundraiser **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** to help support the club's facilities and its charitable works. The \$100 buy-in includes hot buffet of roast beef, mashed potatoes, chicken tenders, french fries, bread, and salad throughout the evening, as well as tap beer, wine, soda, coffee, and the tournament entry. Check In and buffet at 6PM, tournament starts at 7PM. Non-players \$20pp. **RSVP online at MikesPokerTables.com and get a 500 Chip Bonus!** Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333 with questions.

**Spudtacular:** One of our most popular events will be held on **Friday, November 15^{th}** from 6 pm – 8 pm at the Council. Details to follow.

**Sensory Santa:** Our second year for this wonderful event! It will be on **Sunday, December 8th** from 2 pm – 4 pm.

New Year's Eve is Back!: Join us on New Year's from 8 pm to 1 am to ring in 2025 with great food and entertainment. Our New Year's Eve Party will feature live music by worldrenowned TK Walker and Company! Our party will include assorted hors d'oeuvres, a multi-course buffet by World of Food, as well as a premium open bar throughout the event. See the attached flyer for menu and payment details. ADVANCE PAYMENT IS REQUIRED with an EARLYBIRD **DISCOUNT** if paid by Dec. 1st. For questions, or to reserve, call Ken Α. at 516-220-9333 or email KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com

**Blood Drive:** The next blood drive is **Monday, November 25**<sup>th</sup> from 2 pm to 7 pm at the Knights of Columbus Council (61 Armour Place, Dumont). This is an easy way to save multiple lives. An appointment is encouraged to donate. You can schedule your appointment by going to https://tinyurl.com/KofC1345Blood or calling Vitalant at 877-258-4825.

Columbiettes 20th Anniversary: Save the date! Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 2025. Details to follow.



Knight of the Month: Anthony Marti



Knights, Columbiettes and Scouts help out at Dumont Day!



## Twin Boro Columbian Club

Home of KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345 61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

## FALL TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER

## TOURNAMENT

## Saturday November 9th





Hot Buffet & Check-in 6pm, Poker Starts at 7pm

#### The \$100 entry includes:

- 5,000-chip starting stack
- Dinner
  - Hot roast beef
  - Mashed potatoes
  - Chicken tenders
  - Salad
  - French fries
  - Tap beer
  - Wine
  - Soda
  - Coffee

#### **Tournament Features:**

- Official Texas Hold'Em Rules
- Full Size Tables
- Professional Cards
- Licensed Dealers
- Re-buys/Add-on until Break
- \$5,000 Prize Pool\*
- Final Table Gets Paid\*
- Champion Bracelet

\* based on 75 players

TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE:

RSVP online by Nov. 1st<sup>th</sup> and get 500 extra chips!

For more info, contact Ken A. at +1 (516) 220-9333 or kofc1345reservations@gmail.com

Tournament Conducted by:



https://www.mikespokertables.com/event -info/twin-boro-columbian-club-8





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## FUNDRAISER to ASSIST PARAMUS VETERANS HOME

**St. Johns' Council #1345** of the Knights of Columbus are partnering with **Tri-Valley Family Restaurant** to raise funds to support recreational activities for the Veterans at the **Paramus Veterans Home**.

Every **Tuesday in November**, mention this fundraiser and 15% of your dine-in, takeout, or delivery order will go to support this worthy cause.



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For more information or questions call Anthony Marti at 917-602-3794

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1345

oct 25 6-8PM

TRUNK OR

TREAT

61 ARMOUR PLACE FOOD AND DRINKS SERVED

TO VOLUNTEER BRING YOUR CAR, DECORATE YOUR TRUNK IN A FUN, FAMILY-FRIENDLY THEME, AND HAND OUT TREATS TO THE LITTLE GHOULS AND GOBLINS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

, CONTACT JUSTIN 201-421-8916



Knights of Columbus (11345

## Friday, October 18th

- Bavarían Pretzels
- Bratwurst w/Kraut and Onions
- German Potato Salad
- Coffee, Dessert
- Tap Beer, Wine and Soda Included! (featuring Warsteiner beer)

## Music by Dave and Margie

Adults: \$20 pp Children: \$10 pp

## 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm (Cash bar thereafter)

## 61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ

Revervations required by Wed 10/16! Call or text Mike at 201-280-8727 or email KofC1345reservations@gmail.com



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# + 50/50 CASH SRAFFLE

# To Benefit St. John's Columbiettes Auxiliary TICKETS ARE \$10 EACH WINNERS NEED NOTBE PRESENT.

1st Prize: 12.5 % of Amount Received 2nd Prize: 12.5% of Amount Received 3rd Prize: 12.5% of Amount Received 4th Prize: 12.5% of Amount Received

To Be Drawn on December 31st, 2024 at 10pm 61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

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This is a cash raffle and the winners will receive a percentage of the amount received for all tickets or rights to participate. No substitutions of prizes offered. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL #1345 61 ARMOUR PL. DUMONT PRESENTS

# NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

DECEMBER 31 | 8 PM - 1 AM WITH LIVE MUSIC BY

## TK WALKER & COMPAN OPEN BAR THROUGHOUT \*\*\* CHAMPAGNE TOAST AT MIDNIGHT \*\*\*

NOISEMAKERS AND DECORATIONS TIMES SQUARE BALL DROP FEATURED ON LARGE SCREEN

#### **Buffet Dinner Included**

Assorted Hors D'oeuvres Shrimp Cocktail Steak Pizzaiolo w/mushrooms Chicken Champagne Penne w/Broccoli Aioli Linguine and Clams Eggplant Rollatini Sausage & Peppers Grilled Vegetables Roasted Potatoes Coffee & Tea Dessert **\$125 per person** advance payment required

For Tickets Call or Text: Ken Armellino 516-220-9333 Anthony Marti 917-602-3797 or email KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com

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